IDaho State Board of Education
Academic/Professional-Technical Education
Notice of Intent
To initiate a
New, Expanded, Cooperative, Discontinued, program component or Off-Campus Instructional Program or Instructional/Research Unit

Institution Submitting Proposal: UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Name of College, School, or Division: COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES

Name of Department(s) or Area(s): ANIMAL & VETERINARY SCIENCE

Indicate if this Notice of Intent (NOI) is for an Academic or Professional Technical Program
Academic    ☒    Professional - Technical    ☐

This is a New, Expanded, Cooperative, Contract, or Off-Campus Instructional Program, or Administrative/Research Unit (circle one) leading to:

Discontinue BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN RANGE LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT

(Degree or Certificate)

Proposed Starting Date: Summer 2009

For New Programs:

Program (i.e., degree) Title & CIP 2000

Program Component (major/minor/option/emphasis)

Off-Campus Activity/Resident Center

Instructional/Research Unit

Addition/Expansion

Discontinuance/consolidation

Contract Program

Other

Dean’s signature on file  2/18/09

College Dean (Institution) Date

Chief Fiscal Officer (Institution) Date

Chief Academic Officer (Institution) Date

President Date

VP Research & Graduate Studies Date

State Administrator, SDPTE Date

Chief Academic Officer, OSBE Date

SBOE/OSBE Approval Date

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Before completing this form, refer to Board Policy Section III.G., Program Approval and Discontinuance.

1. Briefly describe the nature of the request e.g., is this a new program (degree, program, or certificate) or program component (e.g., new, discontinued, modified, addition to an existing program or option).

   The Animal & Veterinary Science Department is discontinuing (dropping) the program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Range Livestock Management (B.S.R.L.M.). The BSRLM is a cooperative degree, offered by UI-CALS and UI-CNR. It is AVS Department understanding that CNR is also dropping the program.

2. Provide a statement of need for program or a program modification. Include student and state need, demand, and employment potential. Attach a Scope and Sequence, SDPTE Form Attachment B, for professional-technical education requests. (Use additional sheets if necessary.).

   The BSRLM program has enrolled a very low number of students (2-3 per year) since its institution.

3. Briefly describe how the institution will ensure the quality of the program (e.g., accreditation, professional societies, licensing boards, etc.).

   BSRLM deletion will have no effect on continuing programs of the AVS Department.

4. Identify similar programs offered within the state of Idaho or in the region by other colleges/universities. If the proposed request is similar to another program, provide a rationale for the duplication. This may not apply to PTE programs if workforce needs within the respective region have been established.

   None offered.

Enrollment and Graduates (i.e., number of majors or other relevant data)
By Institution for the Proposed Program
Last three years beginning with the current year and the 2 previous years

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### Degrees offered by school/college or program(s) within disciplinary area under review

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5. Describe how this request is consistent with the State Board of Education's policy or role and mission of the institution. (i.e., centrality).

Not applicable.

6. Is the proposed program in the 8-year Plan? Indicate below.

   Yes X  No _____

If not on 8-year plan, provide a justification for adding the program.
## 8. Resources--Faculty/Staff/Space Needs/Capital Outlay.

(Use additional sheets if necessary):

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| **B. Source of Funds**  |           |           |           |            |
| 1. Appropriated-reallocation |       |           |           |            |
| 2. Appropriated – New   |           |           |           |            |
| 3. Federal              |           |           |           |            |
| 4. Other:               |           |           |           |            |
| **TOTAL:**              | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          |

| **B. Nature of Funds**  |           |           |           |            |
| 1. Recurring *          |           |           |           |            |
| 2. Non-recurring **     |           |           |           |            |
| **TOTAL:**              | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          |

* Recurring is defined as ongoing operating budget for the program, which will become of the base.
** Non-recurring is defined as one-time funding in a fiscal year and not part of the base.
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Committee: Academic Programs Advisory Committee, CALS

Program/Degree: B.S. R.L.M.

Discussion:
The committee reviewed the NOI Approval Tracking Form from the Animal and Veterinary Sciences faculty meeting, which clearly outlined the arguments against discontinuing this degree. The form also contained the departmental vote concerning this NOI – 2 in favor, 16 opposed. No further discussion occurred.

Vote: 1 in favor, 3 opposed, 2 abstained
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Committee: AVS Faculty

Program/Degree: BS Range Livestock Management

Discussion:

Meeting was convened at 12:00 noon (Pacific) by Dr. Carl Hunt, originating in Ag104 and by videoconference to Caldwell, Idaho Falls, Salmon and Twin Falls.

In attendance: Amin Ahmadzedah, Jason Ahola, Dick Battaglia, Marie Bulgin, Mireille Chahine, Joe Dalton, Tracy Davis, Matt Doumit, Benton Glaze, Carl Hunt, John Hall, Mark McGuire, Gordon Murdoch, Roxanne Pillars, Matt Powell, Pedram Rezamand, Ron Richard, Chris Schneider, and Dirk Vanderwall.

Absent: Wayne Ayers & Jim England (both on weekly Tuesday field calls), Ron Hardy, Rod Hill, and Rick Norell.

Excerpt of the discussion of the NOI’s:

- Program Reprioritization. Two AVS degree programs have been identified by the committee for elimination. These are not cost-bearing programs, but have been used infrequently in the past so are proposed for elimination. The programs are:
  - BS in Range and Livestock Management – there is a career direction here, which is why the program was established several years ago.
  - Vote of the faculty required today on NOI (Notice of Intent). Considerable discussion followed, including possibly a NOI to rename AVS degrees to “Animal and Veterinary Science” with the appropriate area of emphasis. There were several advantages cited for retaining the RLM degree with the two prevailing advantages being: 1) there is a need for this degrees for career/professional positions – 100% of the graduates of this degrees find employment, and 2) elimination of the degree would not change the courses we are offering and consequently there would be no cost saving in eliminating either. On the other hand we would stand the risk of losing several new students each year with no justification for not offering the degree. The only advantage of the NOI that could be cited was appearance that CALS had made a good faith effort to streamline its degree offerings. A vote followed the discussion.

Vote: The vote to support the NOI eliminating the Range Livestock Management degree option failed 17 to 1

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Committee: University Curriculum Committee  Date: 2/23/09


Absent: Ruprecht Machleidt.

Others Present: Margrit Von Braun, Paul Joyce (substitute for Ruprecht Machleidt), Chris Thompson, Paul Rowland, Kathy Browder, James (Ding) Johnson, Andrew Brewick, Janet Rachlow, Robert Zemetra, Kathy Aiken, James Connors, Carl Hunt, Sandra Evenson, 1 Other Guest, Charles Tibbals, Dwaine Hubbard

Program/Degree: Discontinue the Bachelor of Science in Range Livestock Management (B.S.R.L.M.) degree and its associated major.

Discussion:

UCC-09-099  College of Agricultural and Life Sciences
The committee approved the motion to consider items UCC-09-099 and 09-101 10 for and 2 against.

The committee reviewed the proposed Notice of Intent (NOI) from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences to discontinue Bachelor of Science in Range Livestock Management degree (B.S.R.L.M.) and its associated major. Janet Rachlow indicated that the College of Natural Resources Curriculum Committee vote was unanimous approval for discontinuing this program. Carl Hunt provided some background on this program. Committee member Marshall conveyed a discussion he had with Karen Launchebaugh in which Launchebaugh indicated that her department was in support of the Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences and if they are able to continue to offer this program Rangeland Ecology and Management would like to continue to be involved in offering this program. Committee member Battaglia noted that if this program is discontinued no courses will cease to be offered. All courses used towards this degree are used elsewhere in other majors that will continue to be offered. Hunt provided some insight into why students might choose to enroll in this major in Animal and Veterinary Sciences (AVS) or Rangeland Ecology and Management (REM). Paul Joyce asked why all the students appear to be on the AVS side and none on the REM side. Marshall provided some thoughts on the discrepancy and how both sides provide different views of the same program. The committee Denied the proposed NOIs 0 for and 8 against with 2 abstentions, and will forward the proposed NOIs to Faculty Council for review.

Vote: Denied – 0 for and 8 against with 2 abstentions